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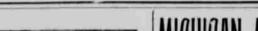
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Grosvenor Continues Head of Merchant Marine Committee.

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Committee places of Michigan mem-

Bishop - Rivers and harbors, chairman, ventilation and acoustics. Darragh-Postoffices and post

Fordney-Public lands, merchant marine and fisheries, expenditures in the navy department.

Gardner—Appropriations.

Hamilton—Chairman territories.

insular affairs.

Loud-Naval affairs. Lucking-Invalid pensions, mer-chant marine and fisheries. McMorran-Banking and curren-

cy, manufactures. Sam Smith-District of Columbia, invalid pensions. W. A. Smith-Pacific railroads,

foreign affairs Townsend-Interstate and for-

eign commerce. Young-Elections No. 1, military

The Michigan members were well treated in the distribution of committee places which were announced last Satorday. Many of the Democrats feel that they were ignored in shabby fash-First Gasoline Engine of the Mc- ion, but not so with with Representative Lucking. In addition to invalid pensions he also gets a place on merchant marine and fisheries, so that he will be a factor in the ship subsidy fight and will have Representative Fordney as a con

This committee was about the only one that caused any great surprise, Representative Grosvenor holding onto the chairmanship, although at one time Representative Miner, who ranks second, was slated to succeed him,

The result makes it look as though the ship subsidy pressure was too strong for Speaker Cannon to withstand. Had the Democrats been allowed an additional While the entire plant of the Alma member, Representative Lucking would danufacturing company is not at pres- have gone on judiciary.

ent in operation, the gas engine de-Representative Darragh's appointment partment has turned out one two and is a good one and one that he is quite one-half horse power engine of the Mc- familiar with. His constituents in Vicar automatic type, and the company Gratiot county will be pleased to know feels quite gratified over the tests made. that he has so well been taken care of To anyone who is familiar with gasoline and his conferes will be rendered valuengines the McVicar automatic is a able assistence.

source of continued wonder, as it is so Representative Loud drew the big simple that one can hardly believe it prize, a place on the naval affairs comwill run. It is believed that in this mittee, an unusual honor for a new automatic engine a practical source of member, which was brought about by power has been found for the farmer's the influence of Admiral Dewey and the backing of Chairman Foss. All of the In the last few years the use of gaso- new members were well taken care of, line engines by farmers has increased Representative Young getting a place on enormously, until now you hear on all military affairs, which is an important sides the assertion that it is only a mat- committee, and also election No. 1, ter of a short time until every farmer which will keep him busy, as there are will have one, as it is the cheapest pow- ten contests to be decided. Representaer that has yet been discovered and can tive Townsend evidently stood the inbe used for sawing wood, grinding feed, spection he was subjected to regarding pomping water, churning, running the his attitude toward corporate interests, as he secured a coveted place on inter-The universal adoption of the gasoline state and foreign commerce, succeeding engine by the farmer has been retarded. Ex-Representative Corliss. Representaowing to the multiplicity of parts on the tive McMorran goes on banking and curother makes of engines. With the ad- rency and manufactures.

vent of the McVicar automatic, this Of the old members, Representatives objection has been overcome, as it con- William Alden Smith, Gardner, Sam tains but one-third as many parts as the Smith and Fordney do not change. nearest of its competitors. It is abso- Representative Hamilton, as was anticiintely automatic in all its workings and pated, becomes chairman of the committhere are no adjustments, no delicate tee on territories and will therefore parts of whatever kind. All that it handle the statehood fight. This has beis necessary to do is to keep the tank come a tender subject with him and he full of gasoline and the parts well lubri- carefully refrains from expressing any opinion as to what the result will be, This department of the factory ex- other than to say that some action will pects to be in full operation soon after be taken this session.

#### BOWLING ALLEYS AGAIN.

Wm. Wilbur is Fitting up the Old M. E. Church for that Purpose.

Alma is to have a bowling alley again, Wm. Wilbur having bought the old M. E, church building and is fitting is up for that purpose. Mr. Wilbur moved his alleys to Howell last year and had a At a recent meeting of the directors of very successful run at that place, but he the Alma Manufacturing company, L. has decided that Alma is a much better E. Wilson was elected secretary and location and has moved them back. The building recently purchased by Mr. Wilbur will be fitted up purposely for pany. Mr. Molitor will return to bowling, an addition now being built in Lansing and the business formerly conthe rear in order to accommodate the ducted by Molitor, North & Moyer will be continued at that place: The Oviatt length of the alleys.

wagons will be manufactured at Alma, Without question, the best medicine although more attention will be given to of modern times is Major's Neu-Rai the gasoline engine department than Pills, the new discovery for neuralgia of the stomach and all forms of dyspepsia. Neu-Rai Pills have more cures to their credit than any known rem-edy. Bivins & Rhodes cord-ally invite Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. A all to call druggists refund the money if it falls to cure E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 guarantee. all to call at their store and see the

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